## State of South Carolina Proclamation

by Governor Jim Hodges

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WHEREAS, South Carolinians live and work in a state with good air quality and depend upon an abundance of clean air for their health and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, clean air is an essential natural resource for outdoor work and recreation, agricultural production, and tourism; and

**WHEREAS,** each year from May to October, conditions are present in South Carolina for the development of high concentrations of ground-level ozone; and

WHEREAS, ground-level ozone can be an irritant to the respiratory system of children, adults who work outside, and persons with respiratory diseases such as asthma; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness of the days when conditions are favorable for high concentrations of ground-level ozone allows citizens to take appropriate action to protect themselves, while working to reduce ground-level ozone in their communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 1 – 7, 2002, as

## OZONE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to maintain and protect our air for the future of the Palmetto State.

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